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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A polyester film which has a base layer (B) and comprises at least one overlayer (A), wherein the base layer (B) comprises thermoplastic polyester and the overlayer (A) comprises a mixture of said thermoplastic polyester and poly(m-xylenedipamide), said film exhibiting an oxygen transmission of less than 50 cm³/(m²·bar·d) based on 12 μm thick film and an interlaminar adhesion of greater than 0.5 N/25 mm.

2. (Currently Amended) The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, wherein the overlayer (A) comprises from 5 to ~~100~~ 95 % by weight of poly(m-xylenedipamide) and from 5 to 95% thermoplastic polyester, each based on the weight of the overlayer (A).

3. (Original) The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, wherein not only the overlayer (A) but also the base layer (B) comprises poly(m-xylenedipamide).

4. (Original) The polyester film as claimed in claim 3, wherein the base layer (B) comprises from 0 to 30% by weight of poly(m-xylenedipamide), based on the weight of the base layer (B).

5. (Original) The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, wherein the melt viscosity of the poly(m-xylenedipamide) is smaller than 2000 poises.

6. (Canceled) Please cancel Claim 6.

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7. (Currently Amended) The polyester film as claimed in claim [[6]] 1, wherein the thermoplastic polyester of the base layer (B) has one or more of ethylene glycol units and terephthalic acid units, or ethylene glycol units and naphthalene-2,6-dicarboxylic acid units.

8. (Currently Amended) The polyester film as claimed in claim [[6]] 1, wherein the polyester of the base layer (B) has isophthalic acid units, terephthalic acid units, and ethylene glycol units.

9. (Currently Amended) The polyester film as claimed in claim [[6]] 1, wherein polyethylene terephthalate is used as polyester of the base layer (B).

10. (Original) The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, which has an A-B-C layer structure, A and C being overlayers which may be identical or different.

11. (Original) The polyester film as claimed in claim 10, wherein the overlayers comprise polyester used for the base layer (B).

12. (Original) The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, wherein at least one surface of the film has a gloss greater than 100.

13. (Cancel) Please cancel Claim 13.

14. (Original) The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, which has an opacity smaller than 20%.

15. (Canceled) Please cancel Claim 15.

16. (Original) A packaging film comprising a polyester film as claimed in claim 1.

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17. (New) A polyester film according to Claim 1, wherein the planar orientation of said film is less than 0.160.
18. (New) A polyester film according to Claim 1, wherein said overlayer (A) is disposed directly on said base layer (B).